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National Night Out In Pennsauken Held On August 7



First responders connect with the community during the annual National Night Out event, held at all Pennsauken's fire stations on Tuesday, Aug. 7.

The Pennsauken Fire Department will open all of its fire stations to the public during National Night Out, Tuesday, Aug. 7, an annual community-building campaign that is designed to make neighborhoods a safer, better place to live.

From 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Pennsauken's fire stations will host a variety of activities, including apparatus displays, specialized unit demonstrations, ambulance displays, giveaways and more. Free bottled water, water ice and soft pretzels will be given out while supplies last. Members of the public can also pick up information on fire prevention and volunteer membership.

In addition, officers from the Pennsauken Police Department and members from Pennsauken Town Watch and the Pennsauken Alliance on Substance Abuse (PASA) will be at select locations.

According to the National Night Out website, NATW.org, "Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out

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Pennsauken Library Welcomes Finney Estrada As New Director

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Last month, Tanya Finney Estrada was announced as the new director of the Pennsauken Free Public Library. Replacing former director John Patane, who retired in September of last year, Finney Estrada is excited to be part of Pennsauken's "cornerstone of the community."

"As a director of an independent library, you have so much to offer and an opportunity to make a change in the community," explains Finney Estrada. "A library means so much. One thing about libraries; they're one of those institutions that changes with time. I think of the library as a community education center. It's a focal point of the community. It's a place where people come together and meet; a place of resources. I have seen libraries grow and become much more."

Finney Estrada has over two decades of experience in both academic and public libraries, with a strong background in technology. She has an undergraduate degree in Information Systems



Finney Estrada

and Technology and a master's in Information and Library Science, both from Drexel University. Tanya had previously served as director at the Waterford Township Public Library for six years; was the longtime technology coordinator of the Cheltenham Township Library System; and also worked in libraries at Thomas Jefferson University, Drexel University, and the American College of Financial Services in Bryn Mawr. She is part of the

New Jersey Library Association, the oldest and largest library organization in the state; and serves on the executive board of LibraryLinkNJ, a non-profit consisting of multi-type libraries and library-related agencies located in the 21 counties of New Jersey.

"It was the draw of the technology mixed in with the information," says Finney Estrada, when discussing what drew her to the important work libraries provide. "I'm interested about how people access and use information. It's my passion."

"Libraries provide more than just material," adds Tanya, who is looking to enhance the Pennsauken Free Public Library's technology offerings. "We have been bridging the digital divide for years. We're an education center in every form.

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Fifth Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 28

Pennsauken Township, the Business, Industry, and Government Council of Pennsauken, Living Faith Christian Center, the Pennsauken Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce, and Dunkin' Donuts are hosting the Township's fifth annual job fair on Friday, Sept. 28. The event, held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Living Faith Christian Center, located at 2323 Rt. 73 in Pennsauken, will allow job seekers to connect with local businesses and organizations with open positions.

"There's nothing like getting a brand new job; and we want to offer that chance for our residents. That's why this annual job fair is so important," says Pennsauken Mayor Jack

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Browning Road Senior Club

The Browning Road Senior Club invites local seniors to come and meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month. Meetings are held at Temple Lutheran Church, 5600 Route 130, Pennsauken at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments are served; there will be a short meeting followed by BINGO. For more information, call Pat at (609) 790-6760.

PASA

The Pennsauken Alliance on Substance Abuse (PASA) meets on the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be on Aug. 8 at the Temple Lutheran Church, 5600 N. Crescent Blvd. Pennsauken, N.J., 08109, at 7:00 p.m. PASA provides programs to increase community awareness about substance abuse as well as prevention programs. The public is invited to attend.

Town Watch

Pennsauken's Town Watch hosts its next meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 8, 7:30 p.m., at the Pennsauken Police Department, Second Floor. Come learn how to make our community safer. For more information, call (856) 488-0080 ext. 2417.

American Legion

American Legion Fredrick W. Griggs Post 68 will meet on Thursday, Aug. 9, at 7:00 p.m. These monthly meetings are held at the Merchantville Community Center, 212 Somerset Ave. All veterans who served during qualifying conflicts are welcome to join. The Post has an Auxiliary Unit which also meets at 7:00 p.m. at the same location. Any ladies who are the spouse or the daughter of a veteran are welcome to join.

Ice Skating

The Pennsauken Learn-to-Ice-Skate camp will be held at the Philadelphia Flyers Skate Zone on River Rd. in Pennsauken. Children ages 2-15 will learn basic skating techniques for figure skating or hockey. The program is offered from 8:45 to 10:00 a.m. Aug. 13-17. Cost is \$35 per child. Skates are available for free if needed. Children can be regis-

tered for the camp at the Pennsauken Municipal Building, Rt. 130 and Merchantville Ave., from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, visit www.twp.pennsauken .nj.us/content/summer-programs or call Elwood Martz at (856) 665-1000 x151.

Car Show At Aluminum Shapes

Food, prizes, and striking cars! With games, trophies, and local food trucks, Aluminum Shapes' first annual Car Show will surely be a great time for the family. Hosted by Aluminum Shapes, LLC, 9000 River Rd. Delair, the event begins at 11:00 a.m. and continues to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 19. The rain date is Saturday, Sept 1. Public admission is free; there is a \$10 entry fee for participating vehicles. All funds raised will be matched by Aluminum Shapes and will benefit Pennsauken Youth Athletic Activities. For more information, call (215) 440-9800 or e-mail alexb@hbmadv.com.

Autism Benefit

An autism benefit for Pennsauken resident Carly Tobia will be held on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2:00 to 7:00 p.m., at AMVET Post 101,519 June Rd., Delair. Featuring good food, beer, live DJ, silent

auction, and more. Cost is just \$25 per person, \$40 a couple. Contact Frank at (609) 504-3982 for more information.

Half Century Jets

This senior group meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. in St. Cecilia's School Hall, 4851 Camden Ave., Pennsauken. This month's meeting will be on Aug. 28. For more information, call (856) 662-2721.

Moonsitters Day

Moonsitters, a local non-profit committed to empowering individuals and communities, is hosting "Moonsitters Day" on Saturday, Sept. 1, noon to 5:00 p.m., at Cooper River Park in Pennsauken. This community event features entertainment, food, and school supplies for students. Shoot for the stars and never land until you're sitting on the moon! For more information, call (856) 230-1596.

Golf Outing

Knights of Columbus Council #6735 is hosting a golf outing on Saturday, Sept. 8, at Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Rd. The cost to play is \$50 and includes nine holes of golf with cart; two tickets for beers and/or hot dogs; and one free block in the \$100 payout block pool. Proceeds benefit the charitable work of the Knights. For more information, contact Bob at (856) 663-2115 or e-mail baltenbach@nbcllc.com.

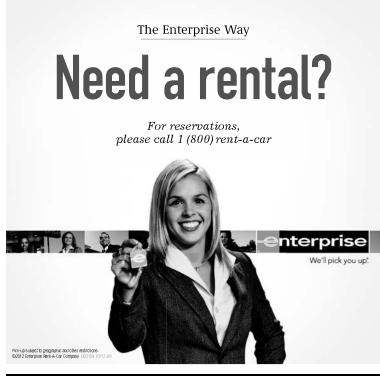
Comedy Night

VFW Post 1270, 2324 Penn St., Pennsauken, is hosting a comedy night on Saturday, Sept. 8, 6:30 p.m. The event features a do-it-yourself taco bar, followed by a 90-minute comedy show featuring the hilarious John Kensil and Vince Valentine. Tickets are \$25 in advance and can be purchased by calling (856) 317-9081.

Class Of '68 Reunion

Pennsauken High School Class of '68 will hold its 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 13,5:30 to 10:30 p.m., at Pennsauken Country Club, 3800 Haddonfield Rd. The cost is \$50 per person and features dinner, dancing, cash bar, and fun. Class members are asked to RSVP by Aug. 15. Contact Jerry Hutton at (609) 605-2156 for more information.

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YOR'S Enjoying Pennsauken's Last Days Of Summer



By Jack Killion, Mayor of Pennsauken Township

The month of August always brings mixed feelings. While September and the start of a new school vear are right around the corner, there's still plenty of summer left to be had.

For those residents blessed enough to take time off to travel with family and friends, we wish you a safe and enjoyable trip. Be sure to send us pictures! If you're planning a "staycation," and many of us are, there are a lot of things locally you can take advantage of.

The Pennsauken Free Public Library has many events for families this month as part of their Summer Reading Program. Be sure to stop by and check their brochure, as well as borrow a good book for a lazy weekend or a DVD or two for a fun movie night.

Our fire stations are holding an open house as part of National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 7, at 7:00 p.m. There will be a variety of activities and demonstrations; and our other first responders will be at select stations. It's a great evening to show solidarity between our community and those committed to keeping our residents safe. Come out and show your support for our police, fire department, and EMS, many of whom sacrifice time away from families during the summer months.

When the rain hasn't down poured, Pennsauken's many parks and playgrounds have been well used this summer. If you haven't done so already, you

still have four and a half weeks to take advantage of walking paths, jungle gyms, swing sets, and more. Take the lead from some of our other families and grab a blanket and a picnic lunch to enjoy a meal in the shade while you watch your kids play.

And while some things slow down in August, our Township employees are hard at work getting ready for several upcoming events. Pennsauken's annual Car, Bike, and Craft Show will be held on Sunday, Sept. 23. It's quite a sight to see hundreds of cars lined up along Maple Ave.

Then there's our first-ever town wide yard sale, held rain or shine on Saturday, Sept. 29. Whether you're looking to declutter your home, or ready to do some bargain hunting, we hope that this will be a big success, giving residents and visitors

alike a chance to see many of the great parts of our town.

And it wouldn't be fall without Pennsauken's annual Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 6. This event, which celebrates our community's rich cultural identity, keeps getting bigger and better every year.

So in closing, be sure to get out and enjoy everything Pennsauken has to offer before the summer of 2018 comes to a close. Be sure to check out the many events highlighted in this issue of All Around Pennsauken. There's plenty to do and see that will make some great memories before we hit Labor Day.

On behalf of myself as your mayor, and the rest of our Township Committee, I wish you a great four and a half weeks of August.

PENNSAUKEN AUGUST PUBLIC **MEETINGS**

Township Committee 5:30 p.m. August 8 and 22

Zoning Board of Adjustment 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 1 and 15

Planning Board 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 7 and 28

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WAGSWORLD Not Enough Pockets For Too Many One-Armed Glasses

By Bob Wagner,

It's the bride's fault! She must have something against shirt pockets on a man's shirt. She just hates buying me t-shirts or golf shirts with pockets. To be truthful, I don't buy any shirts myself. I am rarely in a store that sells shirts, unless it's those really expensive fishing shirts with colorful jumping fish, signed by the artist, for a ton of money. I figure they have enough money, new boats, and houses in Florida. For that much money

I'll buy another reel. But I digress.

My glasses, the ones I carry so I can see to read, are on the edge of losing an arm. This is because, with no pocket to put them in when not in use, I stick them in the neck hole of my shirt. Then, at some point during the day, I put on my seat belt. The stress of a tightening belt on a fat man with no shirt pocket will cause the arm to crack, pull apart, and fall off. I know this because I have the world's largest collection of one-armed reading glasses. Not an expensive collection, I must admit. I buy my glasses five

pair at a time at the dollar store. I also pick up and pilfer anyone's glasses left nearby. My once a year, really good ones from the eye doctor glasses live in a case in my pocket book. I only take them out for emergencies. Then, at some time during the year, I lose them. Don't ask me where I lose them. If I knew, they wouldn't be lost.

There are five crappy pairs by my upstairs computer. I have a few pair scattered around the garage, the bath room, and all five of my cars, plus the bride's car. The pair I'm wearing right now is ready to bust any second.

So what's the problem, you might ask? The bride refuses to take ANY re-

sponsibility. She let a wee bit of light fall upon the subject last week when she complained that I had too much stuff crammed into my shirt pocket of one good t-shirt that has a pocket. Her sense of fashion responsibility was thrown off by my contents. No more cigarette packs live in my pockets since last Labor Day, so there should be lots of room. There was pair of glasses; a few miscellaneous napkins, folded: two wooden flowers I carved last night, on short shish kabob sticks: some business cards with phone numbers, but no names; a pen from the bank; a sharpie; and a half pack of matches, because after 55 years, it still feels right.

At the end of the day, I usually empty the contents on the end table, next to the couch. That's another fashion no-no, I suppose.

Winter is so much easier; ALL my shirts have pockets then. Sometimes, even two pockets. But it is summer, and too hot for big winter shirts, just tees. I can't move north, after all these years. I'll just have to tough it out for now. Maybe buy some more of those tube things you slide over the glasses' arms so you can dangle them from your neck. I've lost all of mine from last year with my sunglasses. Hells bells, as Grandmom Ethel would say, just quit whining and go fishing. Not a bad thought, at that. Later...

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Rotary Club Sponsors Colon For Youth Leadership Award

The Rotary Club of Pennsauken-Merchantville sponsored Destiny Colon for a Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA). Destiny, along with several other members of the Interact Club at Camden County Technical School, Pennsauken Campus, attended the RYLA conference from June 24-28 at Stockton University. The Interact Club is sponsored jointly by the Pennsauken-Merchantville and Camden Rotary Clubs.

Destiny and the other students were selected from young men and women who have exhibited leadership abilities and who will be entering their senior year of high school in the fall.

RYLA is aimed at developing the leadership potential of young men and women. The conference featured many challenging activities, including workshops, speakers, discussions, sports, music,

and news reporting. Topics focused on decision-making, critical thinking, communicating effectively, ethics, public service, contemporary problems, and career development.

The participants lived, worked, studied, and played together in an academic setting, under the guidance of professional counselors and educators. In addition, guest lecturers and discussion leaders presented a wide variety of vocational and community interests.

Rotary sponsors RYLA since the organization believes that developing good leaders is instrumental in fostering international understanding and averting conflicts.

For more information about RYLA and other Rotary activities, please feel free to contact Rotary at PMRoatary@yahoo.com or call (856) 663-0898. Interested parties are also welcome to attend



Brittany Russell, Destiny Colon, and Celina Adujar, all seniors from Camden County Technical Schools, attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Award conference at Stockton University.

a Rotary meeting at Pinsetter's on Maple Ave. at 12:15 p.m. every Thursday.



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Summertime Luau Benefits Angel Tree Program, Hurricane Relief



Inglesby's David Hernandez with members of P.M.A.C.'s steering committee at last year's luau.

The Pennsauken-Merchantville Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting its fifth annual luau on Thursday, Aug. 23, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Inglesby and Sons Funeral Home, 2426 Cove Rd. For a \$20 donation, participants will enjoy food, drinks, and entertainment, all for two very worthy causes: Pennsauken's Angel Tree program and the Hurricane Maria Relief Fund.

Pennsauken's Angel Tree program collects new, unwrapped toys for families in need during the holidays. Last year, a record number of Pennsauken families who would have normally gone without were able to put presents under the tree, thanks to generous community and business donations. The annual P.M.A.C. Luau unofficially kicks off this special season of giving.

In September 2017, Maria, a Category 4 hurricane, hit Puerto Rico, causing almost irreparable damage to the U.S. territory's infrastructure; and the estimated loss of life as a result of the storm may be

significantly more than the official death toll. A portion of the funds raised from the luau will go to help those in Puerto Rico most affected by the hurricane.

Since 2013, the P.M.A.C. Luau has raised almost \$4,000 to support those in need. This year, the local community is invited to come together at Inglesby &

Sons Funeral Home to not only raise funds for families in their local community, but for neighbors living over a thousand miles away.

"We're extremely excited to help host this year's fifth annual luau," says David Hernandez, owner, Inglesby & Sons Funeral Home. "We welcome residents, business owners, elected officials, and community leaders to join us and P.M.A.C. for this fun event that benefits some great causes."

Attendees are asked to R.S.V.P. to Nancy Ellis at (856) 438-0833 or pmac1team@gmail.com by Aug. 20.



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Vendors, Crafters, Vehicles Needed For Car, Bike And **Craft Show On Maple Avenue**

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Vendors, crafters, and vehicles are needed for the Township's 26th annual Car, Bike, and Craft Show, held on Sunday, Sept. 23, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Held along part of the "Maple Mile," classic cars and bikes, as well as some of the latest models on the market, line up at Pinsetter Bar & Bowl, 7111 Maple Ave., and stretch down towards Union Ave. The event also features the popular "Crafter's Row," with vendors offering a wide variety of goods for sale. The rain date is Sunday, Sept. 30.

"This is a great event that people look forward to every year. We hope that if you have a car or motorcycle that you love to display, or are a crafter looking for an event with a lot of foot traffic, you'll



Vendors, crafters, and vehicles are needed for Pennsauken's 26th annual Car, Bike, and Craft Show, held on Sunday, Sept. 23.

consider joining us," says Elwood Martz, head of Pennsauken's Parks and Recreation Department. "It goes without saying that the more cars, bikes, and crafters we have, the better our event will be."

For more information, call (856) 665-1000 x151 or e-mail emartz@twp.pennsauken.ni.us. To download registration forms, visit www.twp.pennsauken. ni.us/content/pennsauken-car-and-bike-show.

Pennsauken Township Holds Summertime Anti-Litter Poster Contest

Area children can participate in a special poster contest designed to battle litter in our community.

The Pennsauken Township Anti-Litter Poster Contest is sponsored by the Pennsauken Township Green Team, Pennsauken Public Schools, and the Delaware Gardens Neighborhood Initiative. Open to children in kindergarten through twelfth grade, poster entries must include an original concept and provide a positive message and focus on solutions to Pennsauken's litter problems.

"Littering is a big issue in our community, but sometimes it takes a small approach to come up with an answer to fix it," says Betsy McBride, Pennsauken Township deputy mayor. "We look forward to seeing what our young people come up with."

The deadline for submissions is Friday, Sept. 7. For poster requirements and additional details, visit the Pennsauken Township website at twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

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Fifth Annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival On October 6

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

The Pennsauken Township Public Events Committee, in association with the Pennsauken Firefighters Association, will host the fifth annual Pennsauken Harvest Festival, a celebration of heritage, arts and community. The free event, held on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Pennsauken Community Recreation Complex on Westfield Ave., will highlight Pennsauken's diverse cultural identity with a celebration of arts and community.

"We're hoping for clear skies and cool fall temperatures for this showcase of culture and community," says Pennsauken Mayor Betsy McBride. "We'll have music and dance acts performing throughout the day, mixing in a variety of demonstrations by the Pennsauken Fire Department, as part of Fire Prevention Month."

Antique Fire Apparatus Show Held On August 4 At Cooper River Park



An antique fire apparatus show will be held on Saturday, Aug. 4, at Cooper River Park in Pennsauken.

Cradle of Liberty Antique Fire Apparatus Association (CLAFAA) will be hosting an antique fire apparatus muster on Saturday, Aug. 4, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Cooper River Park, 5300 N. Park Drive. Pennsauken.

This annual event features old and modern fire apparatus, antique ambulances, police vehicles, and tow trucks. There will also be special demonstrations, the "fire safety house" trailer, children's activities, and more.

For more information, visit CLAFAA.org.



Pennsauken's annual Harvest Festival highlights the Township's diverse cultural identity with a celebration of arts and community.

Both craft and community vendors, as well as volunteers, are needed for this event. A limited number of food vendors are also being sought. The rain date is Sunday, Oct. 7; all vendors and volunteers are asked to hold both dates. For more information, event planners can be contacted by e-mailing arlenemink@comcast.net.

Correction In Last **Month's Graduation Cover Story**

The name of Pennsauken High School's Class of 2018's salutatorian, Nicole Alfano, was incorrectly spelled in this year's graduation program, which we used as a reference for the July 2018 cover story, "Pennsauken High School Class of 2018 Graduates at BB&T Pavilion." We have corrected Nicole's last name to the proper spelling in the online version of the article, which can be found at http://allaroundpennsauken.com/penn sauken-high-school-class-of-2018-gradu ates-at-bbt-pavilion.

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Soldiers Of The American Revolution March In Pennsauken At Griffith Morgan House



Revolutionary War re-enactors will muster at Pennsauken's historic Griffith Morgan House on Aug. 5.

By Robert Fisher-Hughes, AAP Columnist and Amateur Historian

Citizen-soldiers of the Revolutionary War on the march will pause to greet visitors and enlist recruits young and old at historic Griffith Morgan House in Pennsauken on Sunday, Aug. 5 from noon to 4:00 p.m.

Fresh from its recent encampment at the National Constitution Center and the fight at the Battle of Monmouth, the 11th Pennsylvania Regiment of the American Revolution, along with other comrades in arms, return to Pennsauken's Griffith Morgan House to share their deep knowledge of our nation's founding conflict with visitors. Guests can learn of the sacrifices of the farmers and townspeople who took up arms and can join in the training drills as new re-

cruits themselves. Meanwhile, the ladies supporting the regiment will show how hearty food could be prepared in warm weather months without need of a fire.

The colonial house that was home during the Revolution to Joseph Morgan, grandson of Griffith, will be open for tours and to share stories of our history for all to enjoy. Light refreshments will be offered, admission and parking are free.

Historic Burrough-Dover House off Haddonfield Rd., the home of the English Ouaker Burrough family, also will welcome visitors for tours of house, the museum, and the beautiful grounds for a perfect August afternoon on Sunday the 5th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Both these homes for history in Pennsauken open again over Labor Day weekend on Sunday, Sept. 2, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. for free tours and local history for all.

The Pennsauken Historical Society is supported by its community and memberships and donations are graciously appreciated. Volunteer opportunities for all interests are always open!

Burrough-Dover House is located at 9201 Burrough-Dover Lane, off Haddonfield Rd. opposite the Wyndam Rd. traffic light. Griffith Morgan House is located at 243 Griffith Morgan Lane, off River Rd. between Delair and Route 73.

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Pennsauken Historical Society pages or the group "Pennsauken History Forum" on Facebook for more details or directions; call (856) 486-9561 and leave a message for more information; or e-mail pennsaukenhistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

Both Burrough-Dover House and Griffith Morgan House are also open for tours, events and research by prior appointment.





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Pennsauken Check Cashing Helps Families Handle Financial Transactions

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

According to the FDIC, 7 percent of U.S. households were "unbanked," meaning that no one in the home had a checking or savings account. It may seem

surprising in today's digital age of direct deposits and banking by phone. And while they may not go to a bank come payday, these hard working families still get their checks cashed and bills paid.

They just do it differently, with a little help from businesses like Pennsauken Check Cashing, which moved right down the street from its original location on Rt. 130 three months ago.

"We're an alternative financial service provider for people who choose not to use the banking system," explains Ron Seagraves, owner of Pennsauken Check Cashing. "We handle every financial transaction that people have in their life. There's no contract, there's no depository forms. We just provide good service."

"I was a president of a bank for 17 years. After I retired from banking, I saw there was no one taking care of people who were low-wage earners," adds Seagraves, "It's a very misunderstood business. These are the hardest working people in America coming in here; hard working people who earned that paycheck. I want them to feel good when they cash their check."

When a customer walks into Pennsauken Check Cashing - and a lot of them do - they step into a space that has the look and feel of any bank lobby. "We want you to come into a clean, friendly environment. And when you leave, you'll have finished all of your financial transactions for the week."

While there, people can cash their checks, pay their bills, or wire money all over the world using a Western Union money order. The store can also cash tax return checks, as well as checks payable to a business, something banks can't do. In addition, Pennsauken Check Cashing has a very well-calibrated coin counting machine.

The business is licensed by the Department of Banking, which controls the fees charged for financial services. The maximum fee is 2.21 percent of the face value of the check. If an average check comes to \$450, a customer pays just \$9 to cash it. The store charges a \$1.25 fee for every bill and sells money orders for \$1.25.

"Customers come in here, they know what our fees are; they don't have to worry about mathematical errors or the regulatory requirements," says Seagraves.

"If you're a hard working person, and you don't use a bank, the best day of the week is when you get your pay check. We provide the financial support for those people," says Ron Seagraves, owner of Pennsauken Check Cashing, which recently moved right down the street from its old location.

Seagraves went on to say that customers can employ a bar coded key chain to allow employees at Pennsauken Check Cashing to access important information for transactions. The business also offers a punch card where the 10th check cashed is free.

"We reluctantly moved to this location and hope that people find us here. Nothing has changed. If some of our old customers haven't been here in the three months since we moved, we hope they stop in."

Pennsauken Check Cashing's new location is at 6325 South Crescent Blvd. Hours of operation are Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. − 6:00 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; *Saturday, 9:00 a.m.* − *5:00 p.m.*; and *Sunday,* 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. For more information, call (856) 317-1977.

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The Dunkin' Donuts on Browning Rd. and Rt. 130 in Pennsauken held a Customer Appreciation Day on June 23. Customers were treated to free coffee and iced coffee mugs, along with balloon twisting and face painting for kids. Pictured here are Raj Kaneria, Adrian Sheffield, Danny Saparia, and Kinnari Shah.



PEOPLEIN THE NEWS Three Year Old From Pennsauken In Need Of A Kidney Transplant

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

At first glance, Pennsauken resident Sebastian Foster seems to be an average three-year-old boy. He enjoys playing outside, hanging out with his older siblings, and is completely obsessed with numbers, letters, and reading.

He's also in dire need of a kidney transplant.

Even before Sebastian was born, his parents were aware that he had chronic kidney disease. Born with about 36 percent function in his kidneys, doctors originally estimated that Sebastian would most likely need a transplant at age 10. But Foster's condition worsened; and the need for a new kidney came sooner than expected. What makes things even more difficult is that he's in need of a donor with



Three-year-old Pennsauken resident Sebastian Foster is very much in need of a kidney transplant.

either O positive or O negative blood.

"We've been on the transplant waiting list a year this month," says Beatriz, Sebastian's mother. "It can be anywhere from one to three years to get a new kidney. With people waiting for a donor with O positive or O negative blood, they encounter the longest wait time."

Currently Sebastian's life revolves around medication and doctor's visits. Beatriz explained that her son is dependent on multiple medications several

times a day so that "his body can keep doing what it's doing until he gets a transplant." As the kidneys play a role in the body's growth, Sebastian has had hormone shots to keep him on the growth chart. His energy levels and his appetite are often affected by the many procedures he undergoes.

"It's a life in and out of the hospital," adds Beatriz. "It's just day by day. One little thing could set him over and into complete kidney failure."

The family is in search of a donor, age 21 to 55, with either O positive or O negative blood. According to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, there are a few advantages of receiving a kidney donation from a live person. Particularly, the wait time for a transplant is shorter; and

by eliminating the time between procurement and the transplant, the kidney works better in its new body.

"On the kidney transplant waiting list, there are 13,491 total people of all ages from our region," says Beatriz. "Every day Sebastian remains on the transplant list, he is competing with 13,490 other people in hopes of being lucky enough to receive a kidney. His best hope of receiving a kidney is to receive it from someone who will volunteer to be a live donor."

To inquire about being a donor for Sebastian, contact either Emily or Amy at CHOP at (215) 590-3913. There's also a GoFundMe page, "Sebastian's Kidney Transplant," currently raising funds to help defray medical costs. To learn more about kidney transplants, visit www.chop. edu/centers-programs/kidney-transplantand-dialysis-program/live-donor-transplant. For additional information on Sebastian's condition, visit www.face book.com/sebastiansstory.







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Vouchers Available For Senior Citizens In Camden County

By Sonny DiSabato Senior Citizen Coordinator

Hello fellow seniors. The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) provides low-income seniors in Camden County with coupons that can be exchanged for eligible foods (fruits, vegetables, honey, and fresh-cut herbs) at farmers' markets, roadside stands, and community-supported agriculture programs from July through No-

Eligibility guidelines are based on household size:

- Individual \$1.832.00 a month or less
- Couple \$2,470.00 a month or less Senior citizens must be at least 60

and show proof of income: Social Security Statement, pay stubs, EBT Card, or current income tax return.

The Camden County Division of Senior and Disabled Services has received 1.000 vouchers from the United States Department of Agriculture, which will be distributed on a first-come, firstserved basis at the county's senior centers, as well as several senior housing complexes.

Vouchers will be available on Tuesday. Aug. 7. from 10:00 a.m. - noon, at the Pennsauken Senior Towers on Maple Ave.

For more information on this program, seniors can contact Susan E. Warner at (856) 858-1870 or visit www.camdencounty.com/service/seniordisabled-services/nutrition.

Free Membership For Seniors At Kroc Center

The Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Camden offers free membership to people with Medicare C or D. Seniors interested in learning more about this program can

Last month, Pennsauken Mayor Jack Killion presented a proclamation to resident Erlinda Hair, for her many years of service as chair of the local AARP chapter, which disbanded earlier this summer.

contact Norma Kamis at (856) 662-7916.

Wishing you all peace, happiness, and an enjoyable rest of your summer. Please pray for all those men and women serving our country currently in harm's way. May they all come home safe and sound.

After Narcotics Investigation

seized. The following individuals, all of whom reside on the 6100 block of Amon Ave., were arrested and charged with Distribution of Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS), Possession of CDS, Distribution of CDS Within a School Zone, Conspiracy to Distribute CDS, and Possession of Paraphernalia: Angela Strumlak, 22 years old; Gregory S. Devine, 32 years old; and Gregory S. Greenberg, 39 years old.

Pennsauken Police Make Arrest

Last month, the Pennsauken Police Department and the Camden County Sheriff's Department Entry Team executed a search warrant on the 6100 block of Amon Ave. The search warrant was the result of a lengthy narcotics investigation conducted by the Pennsauken Police Narcotics Unit.

During a search of the residence anabolic steroids, 5.8 ounces of methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia were



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GRAYMATTERS The Crucial, Essential, Critical Effort To Find Balance In One's Life

By Judith Kristen, AAP Columnist

Here I sit at my computer, listening to the strangled hum of my ever-faithful, 10-year-old window air conditioner, suffering through a day that is currently being called a "stifling, unprecedented, record-breaking, 107 degrees," according to the "heat index." As if the regular, old. "It's 97 degrees and extremely humid outside" didn't sound bad enough!

Just a few months ago, we were suffering through days that were called "bone-chilling, immobilizing, and agonizingly bitter at 8 degrees below zero," according to the "chill factor." As if the regular old, "It's 3 degrees out there and the wind's gonna' blow the wipers right off your car" didn't sound bad enough!

As a writer, I do appreciate a good, respectable, worthy, and accurate adjective now and then. But, as I see it, we are currently living in a world where things are bigger, better, hotter, colder, happier, angrier, too pliable, too unvielding... you know what I mean.

The "good old life" is no longer good enough for many of us. And the time we used to have to make "good enough" possible, the time our parents and grandparents had, is no longer available to millions of people; we don't take time to

make the time for things that are just simply simple, fun, and good.

Why? Because we bought into the superlative way of living and expressing ourselves, both inwardly and outwardly. Balance in life has been pushed to the wayside. I'm not saying it's easy to obtain, I'm sure even the Dalai Lama has an unbalanced moment now and then: but when most of our days are spent saying how tired we are, how exasperating some of our relatives are, how trying some of our neighbors can be, how overworked we are, how we wished things were bigger, better, happier, and more loving... STOP right there.

Don't think of seeking balance as another chore to add to your already overworked and overdue list; just seek a balanced day - over and over again. There's order and rhythm and harmony in that.

As a woman who has lived on many of life's edges, I can tell you the view is clearer and wider from a balanced position. And I must add that if anyone had ever told me that when I was growing up in my teens, and my 20s, 30s, 40s... I would have thought those people were crazy, uncool, out of tune, out of touch, unrealistic...Thankfully, much has changed since then. Although apparently, I still like

adjectives.

Peace, love, and balance to you... and a nice, BIG, scrumptious, mouth-watering piece of chocolate cake every now and then couldn't hurt either.

Officer Brian May Promoted To Sergeant



Congratulations to Pennsauken Police Officer Brian May, who was promoted to the rank of sergeant at the Township Committee meeting on July 11. May took the oath in front of family, friends, and fellow police officers.

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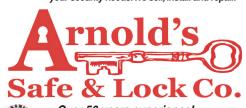
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Students Shine At Delair Performance



The first ever Delair Spring Musical and Concert was held at Pennsauken High School in June! The Delair music team really showed off and put on a terrific presentation of the "Gnoble Gnarble," as well as the phenomenal performance by the Delair School Band! Led by Ms. Boucher and Mr. Henderson, the performance was a tremendous success and a highlight of the school year!

Sophomore Year Of Summer Enrichment A Big Success

On July 2, the second year of Pennsauken's Summer Enrichment Program kicked off at George B. Fine Elementary School. Over 70 students from kindergarten to third grade excitedly shuffled into the cafeteria and listened as Principal Tom Honeyman welcomed them to the program.

Classes consisted of 60-minute blocks of mathematics, science, language arts. and the student's choice of physical education or music. The program is designed for highly motivated learners who are hungry for a vibrant classroom setting rich with learning experiences. The lessons created by the enrichment teachers not only bridge the gap of skill development for young students, but also pique curiosity for advanced learning during the school year. Students used fun math manipulatives, analyzed point of view within stories, and even made lava lamps, just to name a few activities from the weeks-long program. Mr. Honey-



During this year's Summer Enrichment Program, Pennsauken students in Ms. Warner's and Ms. Usetai's classroom have fun learning multiplication with a Math "noodle."

man even read to various classrooms using his best story time voice and questioning skills.

As this piece is being written, culminating activities for the Summer Enrichment Program are being planned, including a petting zoo, physical education field day,

and music concert. There is no doubt that the Pennsauken youth who are involved have expanded their learning experiences well beyond what they thought possible. Additionally and more importantly, these students have given themselves a head start for learning come September.

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Looking Forward To A Fantastic Franklin Year

By Susan Galloza, Principal, Franklin Elementary

The staff at Franklin Elementary is delighted to welcome all of our students to a fantastic Franklin year!

The 2018-2019 school year will bring many changes to Franklin Elementary. This year, we will add a pre-k class to our school, and we are welcoming many new students from some of the other Pennsauken elementary schools.

At Franklin Elementary, we strive for

tential. We want students to learn and love learning. We expect all of our students to respect themselves and others. At Franklin Elementary, we aspire for all students to excel in all areas of their academics. The staff at Franklin Elementary will

all of our students to reach their full po-

The staff at Franklin Elementary will work hard to ensure that all students are provided with an environment that they feel safe and can learn. The teachers and staff at Franklin Elementary will strive to cultivate a love of learning in all stu-

As the principal of Franklin Elementary, I am very excited! I look forward to meeting everyone in September. So rest up, enjoy your summer, and come ready to learn.

Back to School Night is on Sept. 10 at 7:00 p.m. Families, we look forward to your attendance!



Carson Fourth Graders Experience Augmented Reality



Students in Ms. Landis' fourth grade class at G H Carson Elementary school were introduced to an interactive learning experience through Google Expedition. The augmented reality technology utilized by Google allows students to have a visual learning experience. The students learned about Mars, insects, and forces of nature!

Having A "Ball" At Baldwin

Students at Baldwin Elementary School had a "ball" playing different sports such as miniature golf and t-ball during their Fun Day festivities. They also enjoyed delicious treats provided by the teachers and PTA of Baldwin Elementary School. Everyone had a wonderful time!

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Students "Blast Off" With Summer Lesson On Rockets

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

3... 2... 1... PUFF! Dozens of students in Pennsauken's Summer Enrichment Program learned important lessons in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), by making small paper rockets and "launching" them using plastic straws Students learned about research, experimentation, and more, while engaging in a fun, educational setting.

"That's the whole thing here in the summer program at Pennsauken, is for the kids to have fun, keep them on task with their education, and get them prepared for the following year," says Peter Woodcock, a science teacher at Pennsauken High School and instructor during



Students "launch" DIY paper rockets as part of a fun STEM lesson during this year's Summer Enrichment Program at Pennsauken Public Schools.

this year's Summer Enrichment Program.

The Summer Enrichment Program, which was open to all children living in Pennsauken, is designed to battle the

"brain drain" that often occurs from the end of June through August, helping students be better prepared come September and the start of the new school year.

Welcome Back To A New Year Of School At Fine

By Thomas Honeyman, Principal, Fine Elementary

On behalf of the entire staff of Fine Elementary, I want to welcome our families – whether you are new to our school or returning to Fine – for another year of fun and learning.

As many of you have realized, our district has shifted the structure of elementary school to accommodate the exciting district-wide changes from our bond referendum; therefore, Fine offers elementary instruction for full day pre-kindergarten through third grade.

I have been the principal at Howard

M. Phifer Middle School since 2014, but I am very excited to be taking the lead here at Fine Elementary. Mrs. Harmon and the faculty at Fine have nurtured a wonderful learning community that I am now excited to lead. To ensure continued educational success for our Fine children, I am eager to work together with you, the Fine parents, as we provide valuable, daily learning experiences.

Thursday, Sept. 6 is the first day of school for all students, pre-k through third grade. It is a full day of school.

Lunch will be provided for all students on Sept. 6 and 7 and for the entire

week of Sept. 10. There will not be any breakfast provided until later in September. Lunch and breakfast envelopes will be sent home on Friday, Sept. 7 and must be returned on Monday, Sept. 10. These orders will be for the week of Sept. 17.

Our Back to School Night will be on Monday, Sept. 17. We strongly encourage parents and guardians to attend this very important event.

We look forward to seeing all of our students on the first day back to school. Be ready for a great year of learning!

Pennsauken Board Of Education

Recognizes High School Graduates



At their June meeting, the Pennsauken Board of Education recognized recent PHS graduates Solangel Dominguez, seen here with board members Diane Johnson and Mike Hurley, as well as Jackson Jiangas, Jacquelyn Vazquez, Christina Nguyen, and Leonardo Florero Flores, as students of the month. Congratulations to these great students, as they prepare to enter college in the fall!

Delair Celebrates SWAG Awards

The students in Ms. Pawlowski and Ms. Burlage's second grade classes at Delair celebrated the SWAG awards in their classroom! SWAG stands for "Students Who Are Grand!"

These two energetic second grade teachers gave out mini golden statues to each child after they walked the red carpet in the classroom. Students were honored for accomplishments in kindness, math skills, friendship, writing skills and creativity just to name a few.

The classroom was decorated with gold and white and black balloons to give the event a "Hollywood" appeal. Students squealed with glee when they arrived that morning and the excitement was contagious. The teachers also had a "dressing room" in the cubbies, where students could choose some fancy accessories for the occasion! Beads, cool sunglasses, hats, and feather boas were available just to name a few!

Ms. Pawlowki and Ms. Burlage have held high standards for academic



Second graders at Delair Elementary had fun dressing up for the SWAG awards, celebrating "Students Who Are Grand."

achievement and this was a fitting end for a year full of fun learning and rigorous instruction!

Welcome Intermediate School Parents And Students

By Tanya Harmon, Principal, Pennsauken Intermediate School

The teachers and the staff here at Pennsauken Intermediate School are excited to welcome our new Intermediate families to the 2018-2019 school year. This school year will be filled with new learning adventures and explorations! We can't wait to see you!

The first day of school for students is Thursday, Sept. 6. This week will be full days of school for the students. School begins promptly at 8:05 a.m. for all students. If your child arrives late to school, please bring him or her into the main office.

A bus, if assigned, will pick your child up at their designated stop. This information will be mailed to you from the Pennsauken Department of Transportation. If you have questions, please contact the Transportation Dept. at (856) 662-8502.

Breakfast begins on Sept. 24. The lunch program will begin on the first day of school. Last year's lunch status will remain in effect for 30 days, after which, all parents must reapply to determine the new lunch status. Lunch application forms will be mailed home from Pennsauken Food Services for you to re-apply. If you have any questions about your meal status, please contact Food Services at (856) 662-8500 ext. 5259.

There is a district wide uniform policy for all Pennsauken school students. Students in fourth and fifth grades are required to wear a dark blue/navy collared polo shirt and either dark blue or khaki slacks, shorts, skorts/skirts, or jumpers for girls.

Summer reading materials for students are due when they return to school. Keep reading!

We hope that you enjoy the rest of your summer and we look forward to seeing you on Sept. 6. And be sure to save the date for our Back to School Night, held on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Back To Delair Students

By Rosalyn Lawrence, Principal, Delair Elementary

I hope that the summer months have been fun, relaxing, and filed with many learning experiences. I look forward to this school year becoming an extension of that summer fun through some exciting and new challenges as we embark upon another wonderful school year.

As a student of Delair Elementary School, we expect that you will take advantage of every learning opportunity available; perform your best on all academic tasks; respect yourself and others; contribute to the development of a positive learning environment; and develop problem solving and conflict resolution skills.

We look forward to welcoming our new pre-kindergarten program to our school; we're delighted to begin this journey together.

The staff at Delair is here to assist students in meeting the expectations listed above. A positive and safe atmosphere has been cultivated into an environment that places heavy emphasis on the value of learning. Learning experiences and activities will be meaningful and challenging to all students. In addition, classroom activities will be focused on student involvement and a hands-on approach to learning.

As a parent at Delair School, we expect that you will take advantage of this opportunity to instill the value and importance of your child's education through your communication, involvement, and participation in your schools' activities. Please set aside time to attend upcoming conferences to discuss your child's educational progress and develop relationships with teachers, who care deeply about your child.

As your principal, I am excited about the plans for the upcoming school year and look forward to working with all the students and their families as we strive to make the school year a successful experience for everyone.

I look forward to meeting and greeting everyone at "Back to School Night" in September!

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Building Future Workforce Leaders In Pennsauken



By the Pennsauken Board of Education: Nick Perry, President; Diane Johnson, Vice President; Michael Bortnowski; Cheryl Duffy; Michael Hurley; Maria James; Orlando Viera; JoAnn Young; and Mike Trost

Building education programs to meet the needs of the competitive workforce is hot topic of discussion across the country. Unfortunately, this discussion cannot be had without addressing the elephant in the room: student loan debt.

According the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 70 percent of high school graduates in 2016 decided to enroll in college, with a large portion using student loans to pay for the tuition rates. Over 44 million Americans hold an estimated \$1.5 trillion in student loan debt, roughly 25 percent

of the entire United States borrowing for their post-secondary education.

With these startling statistics, public school systems are developing Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs to provide students with the hands on experience and career pathways that align with the current workforce needs.

The Pennsauken Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Tarchichi recognize this opportunity and offer programs to Pennsauken students to develop their learning to succeed in the workforce, while decreasing the financial burden of pursuing an education.

Carpentry

Carpenters install building frameworks, as well as construct and repair structures made from wood and other materials. In Pennsauken's Carpentry Program, students learn the theory of building construction, as well as concrete, masonry, and advanced methods of framing. They also safely demonstrate the use of tools, ranging from basic hand saws to advanced power tools. The Carpentry Program also studies new methods of construction, such as solar installation.

Cosmetology

Cosmetologists and barbers provide haircutting, hairstyling, and a range of

other cosmetic services. In Pennsauken's Cosmetology Program, students acquire the knowledge of advancements in the industry, current licensure requirements, history of cosmetology, and the business practices of building a successful client base. They learn the principles and application techniques of different forms of hairstyling, makeup, manicuring, and pedicuring, as well as demonstrate chemical texturing and advanced hair and scalp treatments. Students also study subjects of anatomy and physiology, in order to provide services to clients with issues like skin disorders.

Culinary Arts

Chefs and cooks oversee the daily food preparation at restaurants and other establishments where food and beverages are served, while managing and supervising kitchen staff. Students in Pennsauken's Culinary Arts Program gain knowledge of different global cuisines and ethnic specializations from around the world. Students learn the principles and application of measuring quantities and volume of ingredients, as well as different service styles, from large catering to small restaurant settings. They also learn about sanitation requirements, food regulations, and proper food storage, as well as food purchasing, shipping, receiving, and mass distribution.

Automotive Technology

Pennsauken's Automotive Technology program is designed to teach students general engine and emission control repair, while having the opportunity to become familiar with automotive terminology, trade-related computer software, and experience hands-on diagnostics and repair procedures. Students gain knowledge of different automobile models, automotive history, and a variety of advanced service procedures in a hands-on setting. This program also focuses on preparing the students to master the skills necessary to become NATEF certified.

Students at Pennsauken High School are able to earn certificates in the CTE programs they choose. The Pennsauken Board of Education is dedicated to providing students the quality skills needed to be future leaders in a variety of career paths, while gaining the life skills needed to be successful in a competitive job market. For more information regarding Pennsauken School District's CTE Programs, call (856) 662-8505.

Board Bit Of The Month

For the 2018-19 school year, two additional CTE programs will be added: Electrical Construction and Welding. Plumbing will be added by 2020, which has a forecasted job growth of 16 percent!

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Carson Students "Travel" The United Statets



Each classroom at Carson Elementary chose a particular state to learn about throughout the school year. In June, they shared their knowledge about their state with their fellow students. Students "traveled" to various states, including Maine, Florida, Utah, Arizona, Alaska, Hawaii, and more. The day closed with the fourth grade chorus singing "The Fifty Nifty" song for all our travelers! It was an interactive learning experience for everyone!

Franklin School Math Bee Winner Rewarded With Phillies Game Tickets



Franklin fourth grader Sami Ben Abdallah received Phillies tickets for winning the school's multiplication and division bee.

Franklin Elementary fourth grader Sami Ben Abdallah won the school's multiplication and division bee and was rewarded with game tickets from the Philadelphia Phillies' Community Outreach Department. Sami competed against other fourth grade students in a timed competition of multiplication and division facts.

Sami and his family were treated to a Phillies game at Citizens Bank Park on May 22. They had a great time enjoying the game and exploring Citizens Bank Park!

Delair Holds Second Annual Art Show

In June, Delair Elementary held its second annual art show. Over 300 students and their families participated! Mrs. O'Brien (Moreau) designed a scavenger hunt for families to use as their "ticket" to get ice cream at the end of the game. Families could be seen studying the art work and checking their scavenger list to be sure they saw the whole display. Yummy fun!



A Farewell To Roosevelt Elementary



Students, faculty, and alumni celebrated 93 years of Roosevelt Elementary, which was closed to prepare for building renovations to accommodate the Pennsauken School District's high tech high school. Roosevelt had an enrollment of 136 students, one vice principal, one administrative assistant, one educational assistant, 11 full-time teachers, seven part-time teachers, one part-time nurse, one breakfast/lunch aide, and two lunch aide assistants. Good luck to all in their future endeavors!

Preparing For Another Great Year Of Learning At Carson

By Diane Joyce, Principal, Carson Elementary

I hope your family is enjoying the remaining weeks of summer. I want to welcome everyone to Carson Elementary School, whether you are returning to Carson, or you are new to our school community. Please keep in mind that as educators and parents, we must work together to provide valuable learning experiences for our children.

In preparing for school, please review the following information regarding the opening of school. It is important that your child arrives to school on time and ready to learn every day. This will help to ensure their academic success.

Thursday, Sept. 6 is the first day of school for all students, pre-k through

Visit AllAroundPennsauken.com for up-to-the-minute news, community events and exclusive web content! third grade. It is a full day of school.

Lunch will be provided for all students on Sept. 6 and 7 and for the entire week of Sept. 10. There will not be any breakfast provided until later in September. Lunch and breakfast envelopes will be sent home on Friday, Sept. 7 and must be returned on Monday, Sept. 10. These orders will be for the week of Sept. 17.

Our Back to School Night will take place on Monday, Sept. 17. More infor-

mation will be provided in September. Please make every effort to attend this event; your active and continued involvement in your children's education is vital for their success!

I look forward to working with your students and leading the educational community of Carson. Enjoy the rest of your summer – please find time to read with your children – and see you in September!



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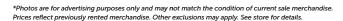
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Calling All Concerned Residents Regarding Vacant Properties

By Tracey Howarth, Pennsauken Township

In the heat of the summer season, a big challenge we face is getting the landscaping taken care of at vacant properties on a regular basis. We want to thank everyone who has called in with information regarding this issue; it has really enabled us to continue our mission of holding the property maintenance companies accountable to their responsibility to keep their properties cleaned up. Please continue to share these things with us.

To date, our contractor, Maple Leaf, has completed 201 grass cuts at vacant properties all throughout the town. Each one of those cuts produces a \$250 lien placed against the property for services rendered by the Township. In addition, approximately 180 more were com-

pleted by property maintenance companies. These properties are not assessed a lien; however, the goal is to get all of the properties taken care of by the companies that are responsible for their care. We're working on it. We have much more work to do but we're getting there.

A few weeks ago, an ordinance was amended and passed that changes the five-day notification obligation to 120 days. Under the old ordinance, the Township was required to give an owner five days' notice to correct a violation for landscaping, trash, debris, stagnant water, etc. That process had to be repeated every time we sent a notification to an owner, no matter how many times we had to notify them. Under the new ordinance, we only have to notify an owner once every 120 days. Now, if we have to

send our contractor to a property to take care of the landscaping issues or utilize the resources from Public Works to get a property cleaned up or empty a pool multiple times, we only have to notify them once every 120 days. This change allows us to get a problem addressed much faster and helps to increase administrative productivity.

As I said, we have received many calls from concerned citizens sharing information on vacant properties and the existing landscaping challenges. However, what we haven't received many calls for are pools or stagnant water. Our Township inspectors will call in and let us know if they see an issue or have a concern about a vacant property with an unattended pool; but there are only four inspectors in a town of 14,000 homes. We

need your help!

If you live near a vacant property that has a pool, pond, hot tub, or any vehicle that holds a significant amount of water, please contact us by calling (856) 665-1000 x145, e-mailing thowarth@twp. pennsau ken. nj.us, or visiting www.twp. pennsau ken.nj.us/content/abandoned-and-vacantproperty-initiative. This issue is one of great concern to the Township, Stagnant water not only attracts mosquitoes, making it uncomfortable for the neighbors but is a standing invitation to kids and potential disaster. Please help us out and contact us with any information regarding a vacant property that may have an existing water hazard that needs to be addressed.

Since this initiative started, we have received many calls inquiring about the Township's program for foreclosed, va-

cant, and abandoned properties; recently, there have been some posts on Facebook inquiring about the state of foreclosures and vacant properties in Pennsauken in general. We thought we would put an invitation out to those who might be interested in learning more about the town's program: an overview and discussion on where we were, where we are, and where we're going. If you're interested in attending a meeting to discuss this topic, please call (856) 665-1000 ext. 127. Based on the number of positive responses received, we will look to schedule a meeting to review the program and discuss with you the Township's commitment to controlling blight.

As always, thank you for all your assistance and information related to vacant properties.

Eliminating Mosquito Breeding Grounds By Targeting Abandoned Pools And Ponds

By Gary Burgin, Pennsauken Township Building Department

With the hazy days of August, summer is in full swing; and unfortunately, so is the scourge of mosquitoes. Mosquitoes are not only annoying, but can carry diseases such as West Nile and Zika viruses. Breeding grounds for mosquitoes are anywhere there are still waters. Common breeding areas include bird baths, old tires, or open containers such as cans, jars, and bottles that can hold as little as an ounce of water. Hollow trees, water gardens,

ponds without fish, and other large bodies of standing water are culprits as well. Even wading pools and drainage ditches can be hosts for mosquito larva.

Pennsauken Township has launched an aggressive campaign to remove stagnate water in abandoned pools and ponds. Each property that has an abandoned pool or pond will be posted and given notice to remove the water. If they do not, then Public Works will pump out the water and a bill will be given to the owners, followed by a lien if the bill is not paid. The Camden County Mosquito Commission will treat any residual water left after the pumping has been completed.

If there are other abandoned or vacant properties with pools, please contact Pennsauken Township's Abandoned and Vacant Property Initiative at (856) 665-1000, ext. 145 to report them.

Here are steps you can take to help: Dispose of any containers in your yard that may collect water. Fill in holes in trees and stumps that hold water. Drill holes in the bottom of tire swings, recycle containers, and trash cans for drainage. At least once a week, empty standing water from containers, including bird feeders. Make sure your gutters are clean and the water is not pooling in them. Turn over wading pools, wheelbarrows, and uncovered boats so they cannot accumulate water.

No matter how tight a cover is, they can accumulate water on top of the cover or its folds. Check them and remove any water found there. If you have a pool that you are not using, clean and chlorinate it.

With a little time, effort, and vigilance, you can eliminate mosquito breeding grounds from around your home, which will allow you to enjoy the outdoors.

For more information on mosquito prevention, contact the Camden County Mosquito Commission by calling (856) 566-2945 or e-mailing skeeters@camdencounty.com.



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FOODADVENTURES Back Alley Barbecue Fires Up The Smoker In Pennsauken

By Rachael Shugars, AAP Columnist

The word barbeque evokes thoughts of savory meats and sauces adorning some form of wood, gas or coal fired contraption or setup. If you were to ask any barbecuing veteran, it would blossom into something so much deeper; a way of life. The concept is rumored to have come from the Caribbean idea of "barbacoa," or slow-cooking meat for a long period of time. Here in the states, there are different regions that lay claim to the best barbeque around: Texas, Memphis, Kansas City, and North Carolina. You can even find BBQ sauces named after these places.

Most southern states would call us "Yankees" BBQ amateurs; but in recent years, we've really begun to give them a run for their money. Pennsauken has a growing BBQ scene... and it just got bigger and deliciously smokier.

Back Alley Barbeque at 2591 Haddonfield Rd. is owned and operated by former Floridian and current Pennsauken resident, Dr. Ron Jones. He's been slinging barbeque for a long time and has owned his business for nearly five years. Jones decided to share the love with his hometown after a few years of taking his cooking on the road to places like the Columbus Flea Market. His barbeque has received rave reviews in the social media world of Facebook and Yelp. With reviews strewn with things like, "amazing" and "fantastic" to describe Back Alley's BBQ, it left me excited and curious about trying their food. There is a huge buzz online about their ribs and their homemade sauces. So I hit the road and headed over on a beautiful Thursday afternoon to sample some goodies. Spoiler alert: I wasn't disappointed.

Janette Crespo, a Camden resident and counter server, took my order with



Tasty offerings await at Back Alley Barbecue, located at 2591 Haddonfield Rd.

a smile. Quadir Williamson, grandson of Ron, prepared my platter in the kitchen; he is spending his summer working for his grandfather and expressed how much he has enjoyed working for him.

I went for the beef brisket. Tender doesn't begin to describe it. It's juicy and savory and leaves nothing to be desired. This brisket is smoked overnight to ensure perfection. I ate half of it without even bothering with sauce.

The menu consists of a super squad including brisket, chicken, pulled pork, and ribs. There is also a weekly fried fish available that varies week to week since Ron gets it fresh. Traditional sides come plentiful with baked beans, cole slaw, macaroni and cheese, yellow rice, collard greens, and green beans. The sauce is homemade by Jones as well and offers a wild ride for your taste buds, no matter what flavor you're looking for. Platters range from \$15 up to \$35 for a full rack of ribs with two sides. There are also kids' menu options of chicken tenders or wingettes with cole claw and fries for \$10. Pricing is very reasonable and gives you a bang for your buck. Plus, Back Alley BBQ is BYOB!

Hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There's plenty of in-lot and street parking. Ron and his amazing smoker are available for

events as well. Anyone can get information on pricing and menus for your special occasion by calling (856) 488-0405 or e-mailing backalleybbq@aol.com. You can also view pictures and posts on Facebook by searching Back Alley Barbeque.

Come for the food and check out the

beast of a smoker that helps in creating what you get to chow down on. Food brings us together and gives us a peek into the heart of the people who create it; you'll feel the love in these dishes. Farewell until next month and always enjoy your Food Adventures.

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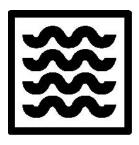
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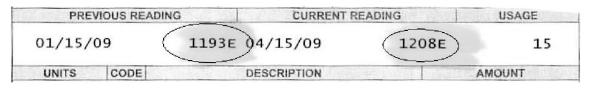
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Fifth Pennsauken Job Fair Scheduled For September 28

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Killion. "Pennsauken's job fair puts residents in front of local employers ready to hire. Many individuals have been hired right on the spot during our past job fairs. We strongly encourage our community to take advantage of this important event."

At last year's job fair, hundreds of job seekers met with almost two dozen local businesses and organizations looking for hires. Many of the companies participating in the job fair expressed how impressed they were with the candidates they spoke with.

"We've had a lot of businesses that look forward to coming back to Pennsauken's job fair each year due to the amount of qualified candidates the event attracts," says Larry Cardwell, Pennsauken Township Department of Economic Development. "Our job fair really benefits both local employers and job seekers."

Job seekers planning to come to this year's event are asked to bring at least two dozen copies of their résumé and to "dress to impress."

"A good first impression can go a long way to standing out to a potential employer," adds Terry Carr, Pennsauken Township Department of Economic Development. "We'll start sharing a list of businesses and organizations planning to attend the job fair in the next few weeks. Those individuals looking for a new position should do their homework and re-

search these companies beforehand, so they can not only see if they're a good fit, but also be knowledgeable and ask important questions."

Individuals unable to attend the event, or those looking to connect with potential employers in advance, can upload their résumé at www.twp.pennsauken. nj.us/content/pennsauken-job-fair-2018. Pennsauken's Economic Development department will share résumés with all

the companies who participate in this year's job fair and will keep these electronic résumés on file for companies looking to hire employees in the future.

For more information about the Sept. 28 job fair, contact Terry Carr, (856) 665-1000 x153, tcarr@twp.pennsauken.nj.us; or Larry Cardwell, (856) 665-1000 x108, lcardwell@twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

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across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August (Texas celebrates on the first Tuesday in October). Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emer-

gency personnel, exhibits and much, much more."

The National Night Out open houses in Pennsauken will be at:

- Fire Station 1,8362 Stockton Ave.
- Fire Station 2,2215 Merchantville Ave.
- Fire Station 3,5301 Lexington Ave.
- Fire Station 5,511 Union Ave.

Pennsauken Library Welcomes Finney Estrada

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Libraries have to keep growing."

During the coming weeks, Tanya looks forward to meeting patrons and fully introducing herself to Pennsauken.

"I'm very excited. Coming here brings new challenges. I'm really anxious to know the community. I don't like to sit still. I plan on going about meeting different groups and doing a lot of outreach. We have to be seen. As a director, I don't think hiding away in my office does me any good. Libraries serve our communities; it's all about what we can offer residents. I'm anxious to see what the Pennsauken community needs."





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Cub Scout Pack 116 Introduces "Scout Me In" Campaign

Pack 116 in Pennsauken is proud to introduce "Scout Me In," the new recruitment campaign that invites all kids

and families in Pennsauken to be part of the life-changing experience that is Scouting.

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Scout Me In, celebrates the Boy Scouts of America's historic decision to serve families and welcome girls and boys into Scouting, so everyone can experience the character-building fun and adventure the program brings to life in communities across the country.

It's more than just a tagline; Scout Me In reinforces that the mission and core values in the Scout Oath and Law are important and relevant for both young men and women.

For kids, Scout Me In is a call to action. It's an invitation to take part in the fun and adventure that will help kids to build the confidence to find and forge a path to their own best self – today and in the future.

For families, Scout Me In is a call for togetherness. Today's families are busier

than ever. They are looking for options that welcome the whole family – mom, dad, sisters, and brothers – to the adventure of Scouting.

By welcoming boys and girls into Cub Scouts now – and into our older youth Scouting program scheduled for February 2019 – even more young people will have access to the character development and values-based leadership that will prepare them for a lifetime of success

The BSA's decision to welcome girls into the Cub Scout program and to offer a program for older girls comes from input we have received from our Scouting families, as well as prospective Scouting families. We understand that families today are busier and more diverse than ever. In fact, most are dual-

earners; there are more single-parent households than in previous decades; many underserved communities, including fastest-growing Hispanic and Asian communities, prefer to participate in activities as a family; and all families have less free time. More than one-third of parents feel they spend too little free time with their kids, and millennial parents are desperate to spend more time interacting with their kids.

The BSA believes we owe it to families to structure our program offerings in a way that fits into their busy lives to deliver character development and values-based leadership training that Scouting promises.

Our mission is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law. To achieve our mission, we create innovative programs and evolve existing ones that respond to the needs of today's families and deliver them through dedicated volunteers in communities across the nation.

Pack 116 meets on the first and third Fridays of the month at the Martin Luther School on Rt. 130 and Terrace Ave. For more information, contact Mary Anne at (856) 313-7751 or e-mail Pack116pennsauken@gmail.com.

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Pennsauken Lions Club Plans For Upcoming Activities

The Pennsauken Lions Club is busy this summer, finalizing its plans for the next few months.

Pennsauken resident Matthew McDevitt will be honored as the 2018 Lions Citizen of the Year on Oct. 1. If anyone would be interested in attending the dinner, please contact Mary Anne at (856) 313-7751 or Ely at (609) 468-8921.

The Lions are also gearing up for the annual eye screening program held at all Pennsauken public elementary schools, as well as some of the local parochial and private schools. Permission slips will be going out in welcome back packets at the end of August and early September.

The Lions currently borrow an eye screening camera from the Lions District Sight Chairman; there are many local Lions Clubs who want to use it. The Pennsauken Lions are currently working towards buying their own eye screening camera, which will allow them to do screenings year-round at town events.

The Lions' annual Cigar Night will be held at Steak 38 in Cherry Hill on Monday, Oct. 22. This fundraiser offers appetizers, dinner and dessert, and two premium cigars, all for \$65 per person. Always well attended, the Lions recom-

mend making reservations early by calling (856) 662-3838 or (856) 665-1722.

The Club plans on attending the Pennsauken Car and Craft Show on Sept. 23 and the Harvest Festival on Oct. 6. They will also hold their annual Thanksgiving Dessert Feast at their Nov. 19 meeting and their annual holiday social on Dec. 17, both of which are held at Macaro's Catering on Westfield Ave.

The Lions welcomed four new members last year and are hoping to continue that growth in 2018-2019. Anyone interested in finding out more information about the Club and meeting the members are welcome to attend their dinner meetings the first and third Mondays from September to June. In July and August, the Lions only have one meeting on the first Monday. The meetings are held at Macaro's Catering on Westfield Ave. Appetizers and cocktails start at 6:00 p.m., dinner is at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. For more information, e-mail pennsaukenlonsclub@ gmail.com or call Mary Anne at (856) 313-7751. Also, look for the Lions Club on Facebook at Facebook.com/penn saukenlions

Remembering "Tony The Barber" From Golden Scissors

Anthony "Tony" S. Cilurso, owner of the Golden Scissors barber shop in Pennsauken, passed away on June 30 at the age of 76.

Since 1988, "Tony the Barber" has been a part of the fabric of the Pennsauken business community, first with Sunny, who retired and passed away several years ago; and then with Frank D'Ambrosio, who worked on Maple Ave. for almost a decade.

"I'm definitely going to miss him. I worked with him three days a week for almost 10 years," says D'Ambrosio, who is now at Unique Barbershop on Kings Hwy. in Cherry Hill. "We got along very well and enjoyed working with each other."

Patrons from the past 30 years commented online about the loss of the friendly and easygoing barber.

"I used to love to get my hair cut at Golden Scissors," posted Jack Stinsman of Melbourne, Fl. "Sunny the liberal and Tony the conservative. It was great banter back and forth."

"I worked a few blocks away and a friend of mine recommended I go to Golden Scissors," added Jim Capobianco of Cinnaminson. "I immediately felt at home. We spoke often about our families and especially our grandkids, along with our Eagles and Phillies."

Golden Scissors was a classic, "old school," barber shop, filled with photos of Tony's favorite crooner, Frank Sinatra.

"He was a big, big fan of Sinatra," says D'Ambrosio of Cilurso, who was a dedicated member of the Sinatra Social Society. "It was like a Sinatra museum."

Tony was also an avid car enthusiast. His '55 Crown Victoria was a perennial favorite at the Pennsauken Car and Bike Show for at least 15 years, according to Elwood "Duke" Martz of Pennsauken's Park and Recreation Department.

"Tony was a big supporter of our car show, always ready to hand out flyers to help promote the event" says Martz. "His car won multiple trophies at our show, including best in show."

Tony was the beloved husband of 53 years to Fay (nee Thorp) and loving father of the late Anthony "Sam" Cilurso, Jr. (Marlene Rennie), Michael Cilurso (Theresa Schallenhammer), and Tina Marie Fellona. He was the devoted grandfather of Edmond Fellona, III, Michael Cilurso, Jr. and Bridget Fellona. He is also survived by one sister, Theresa (Charles) Wilson.

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GOINGGREEN When Is A Lily Not A Lily? A Look At These Types Of Flowering Plants

By Kathleen Harvey, AAP Columnist

Lilies are some of my favorite flowers. But what do we mean when we say lily? Many plants have "lily" in their true lilies.

Lilium, or true lilies, is a genus of herbaceous flowering plants growing from bulbs, and include Asiatic, Turk's cap, and tiger lily. They are tall perennials,

flowers are large, often fragrant, and come in a wide range of colors. Markings include spots and brush strokes. Prized for their showy, often fragrant flowers, and ease of cultivation, lilies are among the most popular of garden plants.

But what about all the other "lilies?" Easter lilies have large white trumpet flowers. They are almost exclusively grown in containers in North America.

Hemerocallis, or daylilies, are the easiest lily to grow. They get their common name because each flower lasts for a single day; but a mature plant will have many buds to enjoy over a period of days. They thrive in almost any type of soil, preferring sun but will grow in part shade, and are rarely troubled by insect pests or disease. Davlilies will handle drought, but they also tolerate wet feet. These plants are known for their toughness, but they also dazzle with their big, colorful flowers.

Zantedeschia, or calla lily, can add a classy look to perennial gardens, cutting gardens, and container plantings. Several varieties of callas have green leaves with white spots, enhancing the overall appeal of the plant. Their foliage stays neat and attractive all season long. Calla lilies are terrific cut flowers and are available in an array of classic colors. Planting callas in a cutting garden makes it easy to grow a wide range of different colors and have plenty of flowers for bouquets.

Canna indica, or canna lily, is a rhizomatous perennial with tropical-like foliage that boast immense, oftenveined, paddle-shaped leaves, and sheathing leafstalks in shades of green or bronze. Canna lilies are low maintenance and easy to grow, and both their flowers and foliage offer long-lasting color in the garden. My personal fa-



Hemerocallis, or Daylilies



Canna Indica, or Canna Lily

vorite is Calla Bengal Tiger, which has striped leaves in light and dark green. They like plenty of heat, so they need to be in full sun. Cannas like moist conditions, but will tolerate nearly any welldraining soil that is either neutral or slightly acidic.

When searching for an extra pop of color in your garden, consider some of these lilies that can keep blooming through late summer.



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Annual Labor Day Wreath Laying Ceremony Held August 31

Labor leaders, public officials and members of the local community will gather in Pennsauken on Friday, Aug. 31 to celebrate workers across our country at the annual AFL-CIO wreath-laying ceremony. This annual event has been held for over 120 years at the Peter J. McGuire Memorial, located at Arlington Cemetery, 1620 Cove Rd., Pennsauken. where the labor leader and "Father of Labor Day" is interred. The ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m.

McGuire is known for championing important labor causes that are considered commonplace today, such as the 40-hour work week, days off on the weekend, and child labor laws. His most famous achievement remains an idea he proposed in May 1882, at the New York Central Labor Union, for a day to be set aside to celebrate the American worker and to celebrate the achievements of the labor movement. In New York that September, the first Labor Day parade and celebration was held. In 1894, President Grover Cleveland signed the law declaring Labor Day as a national holiday.

The current memorial in Pennsauken was sponsored and built by the United



Labor leaders, public officials and members of the local business community will be on hand Aug. 31 for a wreath laying ceremony at the Peter J. McGuire Memorial, located at Arlington Cemetery in Pennsauken.

Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and dedicated in 1952. In 2016, officials and VIPs were on hand to dedicate a new "welcome wall" to help mark the location of the Peter J. McGuire Memorial.

For more information about Peter J. McGuire and his accomplishments, be sure to read the 2015 article written by Robert Fisher-Hughes. AAP columnist and amateur historian, which can be found at AllAroundPennsauken.com.

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PUBLIC WORKS

By Joe Scavuzzo, Director, Department of Public Works

Social media has evolved over the past 10-15 years, expanding its capabilities as well as its downfalls; much like human nature whenever a new technology is widely accepted. From friends, family, and even that neighbor down the street, we can view photos and updates on any new life circumstances. Your local public works department communicates trash issues, snow plowing operations, and other need-to-know information to our residents via

Social Media And Communicating With The Public Works Department

Township social media and other means. I hope that those that find my article are aware of the official Township website and social media outlets and vise-versa.

The reason I dissect social media this month is to hopefully bridge a gap in communication that I've seen occasionally; witnessing a concerning instance back in June. A Facebook post was printed out and given to me. How old-fashioned! A resident complained about a Department of Public Works employee operating a vehicle while on a cell phone. This action is 100 percent unacceptable according to New Jersey Department of Transportation and

Township personnel policies and has consequences. However, in the post, the resident indicates that they waited a week to report it along with threats and a "hope that management sees this." This is where social media has failed society. Not only was the post not placed on an official Township outlet, it did not include any information to hold the individual responsible, like a truck number, time of day, or even location. To recap: the Township wasn't notified timely, nor did it receive any information to isolate one vehicle operator to stop the behavior and fix the problem. This joins the ranks of a theme I tell every resident that I speak with: if I don't know about a problem, how can I fix it? Whether this particular individual was being malicious with their statements or actually concerned for public health, the question I ask myself is: why not call this in immediately? Going forward, I hope this changes.

Although I would prefer a phone call to the Department of Public Works to address any issue a resident may have,

will be on Saturday, Sept. 8, beginning at 6:00 a.m.

TALKIN' TRASH

THE NEXT "TRASH HOLIDAY" IS LABOR DAY, MONDAY, SEPT. 3.

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Sept. 6. Thursday's collection occurs on Friday, Sept. 7. Friday's trash and recycling collection

there are a number of ways to contact the Township. The official website's homepage, located at twp.pennsauken.nj.us, has a "Contact Us" button, where you can enter any information/concern/general question you may have and chose what department you'd like it sent to. Public Works responds no later than the next business day to all inquiries. Also, at the end of each article I write, I list our email address and office phone number. I strongly encourage residents to use any of these resources to share their issues and concerns with us so we can fix the problem as soon as possible.

Dealing With Summer Storms

When a summer storm rolls through, and they seem to get more intense each year, tree debris clean-up is typically the worst of it. During these times, it is most helpful that able-bodied residents assist those neighbors in need to bundle branches and place them out for yard debris pickup. Public Works focuses on the clearing of

streets first, Township properties second, and finally the big clean-up from residential curbs over our 12-square mile town. As always, the limbs and branches over 3" in diameter, like firewood, must be stacked at your curb and Public Works will pick-up after a phone call to the office. I write this article in the second week of July after a brutal heat wave with no rain in sight. It's only a matter of time before a hurricane comes through and preparedness is the key. All of our chainsaws are serviced and debris staging areas have been planned for whatever Mother Nature brings us. It is an opportunity as homeowners to observe your trees for dead limbs that could break and fall during a storm. Those located over your property, home, or driveway could cause substantial damage resulting in insurance claims or other headaches. Consulting a qualified tree contractor to prune or trim these dead branches ahead of time can eliminate the hazard.

Public Works Summer Hours

Our office hours are currently from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The regular 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. schedule will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

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Pennsauken To Hold Town Wide Yard Sale On September 29

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

Pennsauken will be holding its firstever town wide yard sale on Saturday, Sept. 29. Running from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the event, which will occur rain or shine, is a great opportunity for residents to clean out their homes while making some cash in the process.

"We encourage residents to clean out their closets, basements, and attics and take part on our community's first town wide yard sale," says Pennsauken Mayor Jack Killion. "This yard sale is a wonderful chance to hunt for some great bargains while visiting different parts of our town."

Sign up for the town wide yard sale occurs at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd., during normal business hours. There will also be a special registration event held at the Pennsauken Municipal Building on Wednesday, Aug. 22, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The donation per household is \$15. Participating homes will need to fill out a simple form available in the Clerk's Office; these addresses will be inputted into a customized, printable Google map, which will be made available just prior to the yard sale at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, the



Pennsauken's first-ever town wide yard sale will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29, rain or shine.

Pennsauken Free Public Library, and other locations to be determined. The map will also be available online at the Township's website, twp.pennsauken.nj.us, as well as AllAroundPennsauken.com. During the week prior to the yard sale, participating residents – those who donated \$15 – can pick up a yard sign, balloons, and map at the Municipal Building.

The deadline for registering will be Friday, September 7,2018. Checks can be made out to Pennsauken Township, with "Town Wide Yard Sale" written in the memo section. Any proceeds made from yard sale participants who register their properties will go to support Pennsauken Township community events.

For more information, visit the Township's website at twp.pennsauken.nj.us.

Oscar Mayer Wienermobile Stops By Pennsauken

By Frank Sinatra, AAP Editor

The famous Oscar Mayer Wienermobile recently took a special trip to town to visit a creative contest winner.

Pennsauken resident Kristin Burke was one of five winners of Oscar Mayer's "For the Love of Hot Dogs" contest. Burke posted a picture of a "salsa dog," an all beef hot dog creatively topped with salsa, cotija crema, tortilla chip pieces, and a sprinkle of chives on a toasted bun.

"I saw a contest on Twitter that Oscar Mayer was running. You had to submit a photo of your hot dog in a fun and unique way," says Burke. "I was one of the five winners and got the Wienermobile to come to our house! We're excited that we won this prize."

In addition to an hour-long visit from the Wienermobile, a hit with Kristin's family and friends, she received coupons for a year's supply of Oscar Mayer hot dogs, a package of Oscar Mayer hot dogs, and Oscar Mayer swag. Burke plans on sharing some of her coupons with the Food Bank of South Jersey to give back to those in need.

If you wish you had an Oscar Mayer wiener – or a visit from the Wienermobile for that matter – the second round of the "For the Love of Hot Dogs" contest runs from Aug. 20 through Sept. 9. For more details, visit http://bit.ly/Oscar-MayerHotDogContest.



Pennsauken's Kristin Burke won a free visit from the Oscar Mayer Wienermobile as part of the "For the Love of Hot Dogs" online contest.



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• Chair Zumba – Thursdays, Aug. 16, 23, & 30; 11:00-11:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Pennsauken Library, Chair Zumba is part of the adult summer exercise program with Marni Kelly. Sessions will be held in the Community Room. Since space is limited, we ask that you sign up at the Circulation Desk or call us at (856) 665-5959 ext.3 to register.

August Library Events

- Tween/Teen Summer Writers' Workshop Mondays, Aug. 13 & 27; 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. No registration is required; just show up with your creativity and be ready to write! These sessions are open to aspiring writers entering grades 6-12. For more information, please contact Heather at the Reference Desk. (856) 665-5959 ext. 4.
- Homeschooler's Resources & Exchange Event Saturday, Aug. 11;
 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. We are hosting a free material and ideas swap for
- home educators. Bring the teaching materials (curriculum, literature, and resources) you are no longer using to swap with other home educators. Our hosts, the BBF Girls, will provide free refreshments and a library tour will be available. Meet up at the Library Community Room.
- Ukulele Lessons Saturday, Aug. 4; noon – 2:00 p.m. Learn basic chords and even a song or two in these free, drop-in lessons with Miss Sabrina! Instrument will be provided. Sign-ups for time slots will begin 15-minutes prior to program start time. Availability is first come, first served; individuals or groups of up to 5 people per time slot. For ages 13 and up.

For Children Accompanied By Their Caregivers:

- Storytime Music Maker Monday, Aug. 6; 11:00 a.m. Aimed at increasing your child's vocabulary and attention span and teaching fine motor skills, Storytime combines reading with music, dancing, multi-lingual skills, finger-plays, and rhymes. Storytime helps little ones foster a life-long love of books and reading! For ages 0-5.
- Children's Yoga Tuesday, Aug. 7;
 11:00 a.m. Practice stretching, gentle movement, mindful breathing, and more! Miss Sabrina will teach all the basics to help your child de-stress body and mind. No experience necessary, first-timers welcome! Please wear comfortable clothing. A limited

- number of mats are available; if you have your own mat, please bring it. Ages 6-12.
- Family Game Night Wednesday, Aug. 8; 6:00 p.m. Enjoy board games and more at a fun program that's perfect for the entire family! All ages.
- Toddler Movement Friday, Aug. 10; 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Join Miss Sabrina and Miss Susan for a fun and active time of music, guided movements, and dance. For ages 2-5.
- Baby Ballet Friday, Aug. 10; 11:30

 a.m. noon. Join Miss Sabrina and
 Miss Susan for a fun and active time of music, guided dance movements.

 For ages 2-5.

Library Welcomes New Staff Members

The staff of the Pennsauken Free Public Library invites our community to welcome the newest members of our team!

Ms. Heather Kristen is our new parttime reference librarian. She came on board this past April and has enthusiastically embraced our patrons.

On July 2, with overwhelming joy, we were delighted to receive Ms. Tanya Finney Estrada, as our new Director!

Please stop by, say hello, and offer a warm welcome!

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FRIENDS of the LIBRARY Fun Activities Courtesy Of The Friends Of The Library

By Arlene Miller, Friends of the Pennsauken Free Public Library

On three successive Thursdays, Aug. 16,23, and 30, at 11:00 a.m., we're offering Chair Zumba classes with licensed instructor Marni Kelly, so get ready! If you've always wanted to get into a Zumba class, but may have been daunted by its energy and speed, take heart. These sessions will slow down a

bit to let participants catch their breath. You can also do everything standing up to add a little more oomph to the exercise. Standing or sitting, there's plenty of movement to benefit everyone participating, so mark your calendar and be prepared to enjoy a new experience. The class size is limited to 25, so you'd best register at the Circulation Desk beforehand so you don't miss out. And don't forget to wear sneakers for the best workout!

Next month, we'll be holding two Tai Chi Chih (moving meditation) sessions with certified instructor Michelle Carlino. Both will take place on Wednesdays, Sept.12 and 19, at 11:00 a.m. Although tai chi is slow and gentle, it addresses the key components of fitness: muscle strength, flexibility, balance, and,

to a lesser degree, aerobic conditioning. Tai chi is very calming and peaceful, and some studies have found that the slow. graceful exercise, which originated centuries ago, can improve balance, reduce stress, and offer arthritis pain relief. Instructor Michelle Carlino has been studying multiple styles of yoga since 1980 and is equally certified as a foot reflexologist, Tai Chi Chih instructor, and chair massage therapist. This class is limited to 20 participants, so don't forget to sign up to save a place.

While you're avoiding being outside on some of these hot days ahead, be sure to check your closets and basements for books, DVDs and other tech goodies you no longer want but that you'd just LOVE to donate to the Friends for our upcoming book and tech sale in October. We'll start our annual collection the day after Labor Day, so pack up the books and other stuff you've already read or seen and get it ready to bring to the Library in time for someone else to enjoy it. More sale details next month.

We're currently working on an upcoming talk and demonstration with the Pennsauken Fire Department on home fire prevention and proper use of fire extinguishers. They'll build a controlled fire outside and instruct participants how to use the extinguisher to help put it out. We don't have the date and time confirmed, so be on the lookout in September's column for all that information. You won't want to miss this important, potentially life-saving event!

Finally, don't forget the Library's Museum Pass Program, especially for those outings you have planned for the rest of the season or year. It's sponsored by the Friends and includes special "deals" on many area sights you'll want to visit. Admission to participating museum is always free, but the number of attendees varies from site to site. Passes do not cover parking or bridge tolls nor do they provide discounts for purchases made at various sites, so please familiarize vourself with the requirements for each place you plan to visit. But if you've ever wanted to visit the Academy of Natural Sciences, Air Victory Museum, Battleship New Jersey, Camden Children's Garden, Garden State Discovery Museum, Independence Seaport Museum, Morris Arboretum, National Liberty Museum, Paws Farm Nature Center in Mt. Laurel, Penn Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, or Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge, now's your chance. Two new passes we've just added are the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia and Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia. Check availability and details on the Pennsauken Library's website. And remember that to take advantage of this terrific program, you must be a member in good standing of the Library, so find your card or sign up for one soon. It's never too late to join!



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to improve on last year's 4-7 record. The game is held at Paul VI High School, 901 Hopkins Rd # B, Haddon-

field, N.J. Kickoff is at 7:00 p.m.

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Football Opens Season At PVI

District will be offering free physicals to these students on Monday, Aug. 6, from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., at the nurse's office at Pennsauken High School, 800 Hylton Rd.

Even if you don't know if you will participate in a sport, we recommend getting one so you don't have to worry if vou make a last minute decision to go out for a team.

Forms that need to completed prior to these physicals are available at Pennsauken High School's athletic office or can be downloaded at Pennsauken.net. It is highly recommended that people show up early to ensure that all parent sections of the paperwork are filled out

Local Heroes Run For Charity At Super Run 5K



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Sports

Pennsauken's Bates Recognized By Plymouth State University

Pennsauken native Alivia Bates was among several students honored by the Plymouth State University Athletic Department for accomplishments on the field of play, in the classroom and within the Plymouth community.

A senior field hockey goalie and women's ice hockey forward. Bates was a recipient of the 2017-2018 Brad Wilby Award for leadership, character, and service. As a dual-sport athlete, Alivia played significant roles in the success of two programs, earning ALL-LEC First Team recognition in field hockey and helping the women's ice hockey team to its first-ever playoff win, while also working in the athletic department office.

"I am honored to be recognized by the department of athletics with the Brad Wilby Award. Honestly, It was a surprise to me that I was nominated," says Bates. "I just try my best to be a good person and help in any way I can. I can think of plenty of women athletes

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Pennsauken's Alivia Bates was recognized by the Plymouth State University Athletic Department with the 2017-2018 Brad Wilby Award for leadership, character, and service. Bates is a two-sport student athlete in field hockey and ice hockey.

who do the same. From what I've heard about Brad Wilby, he was an outstanding student and person who always had a smile on his face. I am truly humbled to receive this award."

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Registration **Open For PYAA Football And** Cheerleading

Those interested in registering their children ages 5-14 for PYAA football or cheerleading can do so now through Aug. 15.

In-person sign ups are held Thursdays. 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to noon at 4250 Burwood Ave., Pennsauken. The cost of registration is \$175 for new football players; \$175 for returning players without a jersey; and \$150 for returning players that have their jersey from the 2017 season (the jersey must be brought at the time of registering). The cost for cheerleading is \$125.

Late registration runs Aug. 16-31 with an additional \$25 fee.

For more information, contact Coach Tasha for cheer at (856) 906-0368; or Coach Dave for football at (215) 588-1778.

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Registration Now Open For 9/11 Heroes Run In Pennsauken

Online registration is now open for the annual 9/11 Heroes Run 5k and one mile fun run/walk, held on Sunday, Sept. 9, 9:11 a.m., at Cooper River Park in Pennsauken. Sponsored by the Travis Manion Foundation, the 9/11 Heroes Run unites communities internationally with the goal to never forget the sacrifices of the heroes of September 11th and the wars since: veteran, first responder, civilian and military.

Runners and walkers of all levels and of all ages are invited to come out and thank local veterans, their families, and first responders in an annual, fun, and family-friendly environment.

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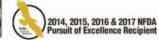








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